Fund-raising Tags Generate Big Bucks For Wildlife

Each year, selected non-profit organizations sell big game tags at their fundraising events.

California's wildlife benefits from the auction revenue, since all of the money raised through the sale of the tags goes into the DFG's management programs for those species. Below, by type of tag, are the results of the auctions completed as of Tracks' press date:

Fund-Raising Tag	Host Organization	Amount
Bighorn Sheep	Foundation for North American Wild Sheep	\$76,000
Tule Elk, Grizzly Island	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, National Chapter	25,000
Tule Elk, Grizzly Island	Mule Deer Foundation, Central Coast Chapter	33,000
Tule Elk, Owens Valley	Foundation for North American Wild Sheep	12,000
Golden Opportunity Deer**	Mule Deer Foundation, National	9,000
Golden Opportunity Deer**	Mule Deer Foundation, Central Coast Chapter	9,500
Golden Opportunity Deer**	Foundation for North American Wild Sheep	19,500
Golden Opportunity Deer**	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Central San Joaquin Valley Chapter	7,000
Golden Opportunity Deer**	California Deer Association, San Jose Chapter pending aucti	on on 5/6
Open Zone Deer*	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Sacramento Chapter	4,800
Open Zone Deer*	California Deer Association, Chico Chapter	8,500
Open Zone Deer*	Mule Deer Foundation, Sacramento Chapter	5,000
Open Zone Deer*	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation South Central Coast Chapter	3,300
Open Zone Deer*	California Deer Association, Salinas Chapter	7,000
Pronghorn Antelope**	*Mule Deer Foundation, Central Coast Chapter	3,250
Pronghorn Antelope**	*Foundation for North American Wild Sheep	4,500
Pronghorn Antelope**	*Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Central San Joaquin Valley Chapter	3,500
Pronghorn Antelope*** California Deer Association, pending auction on 5/6 San Jose Chapter		
* Open Zone Deer Tag: Valid for all zones as well as additional deer hunts and		

area-specific archery hunts within specified season dates and methods of

Golden Opportunity Deer Tag: Valid statewide from July 8, 2000 through January 31, 2001.
Pronghorn tags are for the 2001 hunting season.